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To: Field Managers
From: Deputy State Director, Resources Policy and Management
Subject: Upcoming Training Opportunities for Cultural Staff

Thank you for allowing your cultural staff and managers to attend the annual cultural meeting and the protocol training with the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) earlier this month. Several offices were unable to attend due to adverse weather conditions and participated via conference call instead. We anticipate working with SHPO to amend the state protocol this year to modify the meeting date away from the first quarter of the calendar year.

During the annual meeting, the SHPO discussed training opportunities planned for April and May 2008. This Instruction Bulletin supports these offerings and strongly encourages your cultural staff to take advantage of the trainings. Our state protocol promotes partnerships and these are good ways to cooperate with the SHPO. Should your archaeologist(s) not avail themselves of these chances, they may later be required to obtain the training in Laramie.

Prior to the Wyoming Association of Professional Archaeologists (WAPA) meeting in Rock Springs on April 25, 2008, the University of Wyoming Archaeological Repository will provide curation training for Federal agencies and consulting archaeologists. This training will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Outlaw Inn.

In addition, context training will take place the week of May 5, 2008, around the State. This training will use the "Stock-Raising, Ranching, and Homesteading in the Powder River Basin, Wyoming (2007)" context as the foundation for discussion. Training will be from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the first two days and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the last two days. The first training day is May 5 in Laramie at the University of Wyoming Union, Yellowstone Ballroom, West. On May 6, the training will be in Rock Springs at Western Wyoming Community College, Room 1302. On May 7, the training will be held in Casper at the BLM Field Office conference room. The last training will be on May 8 in Sheridan at the Holiday Inn conference room.

If you have any questions about these training opportunities, please contact Ranel Capron at 307-775-6108 or Ranel_Capron@blm.gov or Judyth Reed at 307-775-6017 or Judyth_Reed@blm.gov.

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